



## CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

**FROM:** Budget Department                      **DATE:** July 8, 2019  
**SUBJECT:** Approve an agreement with the Tarrant County Tax Assessor/Collector for tax assessment and collection services of ad valorem taxes for Tax Years 2019, 2020, and 2021.  
**PRESENTER:** Robert Myers, Budget Director

### **SUMMARY:**

Since 1993, Tarrant County has provided tax assessment and collection services for the City of North Richland Hills. Staff requests that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Tarrant County in order to continue the provision of these services for Tax Years 2019, 2020, and 2021.

### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

The Tarrant County Tax Assessor/Collector has submitted a three-year agreement for property tax collection services for Tax Years 2019, 2020, and 2021. The county has collected property taxes for the City of North Richland Hills since October 1993. During this time, staff has been pleased with the county's performance, customer service and the cost savings realized by the city. A copy of the agreement is attached for Council consideration.

The proposed rate for Tax Years 2019, 2020, and 2021 is \$0.98 per account, which is the same rate as charged in Tax Year 2018. The rate charged is based on the Tarrant County Tax Assessor/Collector's actual cost for tax collection. The estimated number of accounts based on the preliminary tax roll received in May 2019 is 62,283. This is an increase of 284 accounts compared to the July 2018 Certified Tax Roll. Based on the number of accounts identified in the May 2019 preliminary tax roll, the total estimated cost for this service is approximately \$61,037 for Tax Year 2019.

Staff believes the service provided by the Tax Assessor/Collector remains a good value. It would not be possible for the City of North Richland Hills to conduct the same service for the amount charged by Tarrant County.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the city manager to enter into an agreement with Tarrant County for tax assessment and collection services.